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C O N F I D E N T I A L KUWAIT 4317

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ENRG, KU

SUBJECT: NO LPG CONTRACTS YET SIGNED

REF: (A) KUWAIT 3833 (NOTAL), (B) KUWAIT 2663 (NOTAL),
(C) KUWAIT 2326

1. DESPITE FREQUENT PRESS REPORTS THAT KUWAIT HAS SEWN
UP CONTRACTS FOR SALE OF MOST OF ITS NEW LIQUEFIED
PETROLEUM GAS (LPG), THIS IS NOT YET THE CASE. AS
REPORTED PREVIOUSLY (REF A), COMPANIES HAVE BALKED AT
PAYMENT OF ABOVE MARKET TANKER RATES FOR 50 PERCENT OF LPG
WHICH KUWAIT GOVERNMENT IS REQUIRING BE SHIPPED IN
KUWAITI TANKERS. OIL MINISTER KAZIMI CONFIRMED THIS POINT
DURING CALL BY AMBASSADOR AUG. 2. HE SAID THAT NO CONTRACTS
FOR LPG PURCHASE HAD YET BEEN SIGNED BECAUSE THE KUWAIT
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OIL TANKERS COMPANY, HAS BEEN HOLDING OUT FOR ABOVE
MARKET RATES FOR ITS NEWLY-ACQUIRED TANKERS. MINISTER
PREDICTED THAT LIKELY SOLUTION WOULD BE FOR KOTC TO
SETTLE FOR RATES ONLY SLIGHTLY ABOVE THE COMMERCIAL RATE WITH THE
GOK SUBSIDIZING ANY LOSSES INCURRED AS A RESULT.
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